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I-5 REHABILITATION BUENA PARK TO COMMERCE UPDATE #2

THIS CANCELS AND REPLACES NEWS RELEASE #1 **SMOOTHER ROADS AHEAD FOR SANTA ANA FREEWAY (I-5);** **PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS TO BEGIN FROM BUENA PARK TO COMMERCE**

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will begin work this week to rehabilitate and improve 11 miles of the northbound and southbound Santa Ana Freeway (I-5) in the cities of Buena Park, La Mirada, Santa Fe Springs, Norwalk, Downey and Commerce. This pavement improvement project will result in a smoother driving surface, enhance safety and extend the life of the freeway. Overnight lane, ramp and full northbound and southbound freeway closures will be necessary intermittently throughout construction. Note: the northbound and southbound freeway or lane closures will not be performed simultaneously. Upcoming closures listed below will take place in the northbound direction only.

IN BUENA PARK:

- From 12:01 a.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, August 20:
 - Two lanes of I-5 from Stanton Avenue to Valley View Avenue
- From 1 a.m. to 4 a.m. Friday, August 20:
 - ALL LANES (3) of I-5 from Stanton Avenue to Valley View Avenue
- From 12:30 a.m. to 4 a.m. Friday, August 20:
 - The Beach Boulevard on-ramp
 - The Manchester Avenue on-ramp
 - The Artesia Boulevard on-ramp
- From 1 a.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday, August 22:
 - ALL LANES (3) of I-5 from Stanton Avenue to Valley View Avenue
- From 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. Sunday, August 22:
 - Two lanes of I-5 from Stanton Avenue to Valley View Avenue

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I-5 FREEWAY CLOSURES IN BUENA PARK, CONTINUED...

- From 1 a.m. to 6:30 a.m. Sunday, August 22:
 - The Beach Boulevard on-ramp
 - The Artesia Boulevard on-ramp
 - The Manchester Avenue on-ramp

Construction dates and closures are weather-permitting and subject to change. The freeway will remain open during peak commute hours. Signs and detours will be posted to assist motorists. In addition, press releases on closures and updates will be distributed to the media, chambers of commerce and cities within the construction area – as well as posted on the Caltrans website – www.dot.ca.gov/dist07 -- to keep the public informed as work progresses. The California Highway Patrol will assist with traffic management when necessary.

Work will begin near the Orange County line in Buena Park. Construction will then proceed on the northbound I-5 lanes. When work is completed to Washington Boulevard in the city of Commerce, the project will then proceed on the southbound I-5 lanes back to the vicinity of the Orange County line.

Overnight traffic delays are expected to be minimal. Caltrans is aware of nighttime noise during construction and will do everything possible to keep the noise to a minimum.

For additional information on this freeway improvement project, please call the Caltrans Public Affairs office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at (213) 897-3630 or (213) 897-3656.

Caltrans reminds motorists to ***PLEASE, SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE.***

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